



LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON HIV

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

December 2, 2008

Approved
2/02/2009

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	PUBLIC	HIV EPI AND OAPP STAFF	COMM STAFF/CONSULTANTS
Carla Bailey, <i>Co-Chair</i>	Richard Hamilton	Dean Page	None	Jane Nachazel
Anthony Braswell, <i>Co-Chair</i>	Brad Land			Glenda Pinney
Nettie DeAugustine	Angelica Palmeros			Jim Stewart
Whitney Engeran-Cordova	Mario Pérez			Craig Vincent-Jones
Michael Johnson	James Skinner			Nicole Werner
Lee Kochems	Kathy Watt			
Jeff Goodman	Fariba Younai			

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- 1) **Agenda:** Executive Committee Agenda, 12/2/2008
- 2) **Minutes:** Executive Committee Meeting, 11/3/2008

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. Braswell called the meeting to order at 10:15 am.
2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**
MOTION #1: Approve the Agenda Order (*Postponed*).
3. **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**
MOTION #2: Approve the 11/03/2008 Executive Committee Meeting minutes (*Postponed*).
4. **PARLIAMENTARIAN REMARKS:** Mr. Stewart noted parliamentary seminars would resume in December, prior to the Commission meetings.
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT, NON-AGENDIZED:** There were no public comments.
6. **COMMISSION COMMENT, NON-AGENDIZED:** There were no Commission member comments.
7. **PUBLIC/COMMISSION COMMENT FOLLOW-UP:** There were no items for follow-up.
8. **CO-CHAIRS' REPORT:** The election for Commission Co-Chair seat that Mr. Braswell is currently filling will be at the December meeting. He was the only nominee to date, but nominations would be open until the vote.
9. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**
 - Mr. Vincent-Jones said he expected the MOU would be completed soon.
 - ➡ It was agreed to cancel the January Executive Committee meeting.
10. **OAPP REPORT:** There was no report.
11. **HIV EPIDEMIOLOGY REPORT:** There was no report.

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12. **PREVENTION PLANNING COMMITTEE (PPC) REPORT:** Mr. Kochems said the PPC's Annual Planning Meeting would be 12/4/2008 at the California Endowment. The focus of the meeting would be the development of the 2009 work plans. Each committee would report with Mr. Vincent-Jones assisting in the JPP report.
13. **CONSUMER CAUCUS REPORT:**
 - Mr. Page reported that the SPA #3 providers held a Town Hall meeting, but only three consumers attended.
 - The next "Meet the Grantee" meeting is planned for SPA #3 in January. Mr. Vincent-Jones noted meetings in both Pasadena and Pomona are being considered to ease travel concerns. A Saturday morning meeting is an alternative approach.
 - The Caucus will resume having its regular meetings following the Commission meeting in December.
 - Mr. Vincent-Jones said a format to improve follow-up and create a contact list with interest information was being created.
 - OAPP will be reporting summary Warm-Line information quarterly to the Standards of Care Committee.
14. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
 - A. **Joint Public Policy (JPP):**
 1. **Medicare Part B:** Mr. Vincent-Jones noted the Commission voted to offer help to offset the cuts in premium payments for Medi-Cal shares-of-cost over \$500 through February 2009. Julie Cross had been working on a payment mechanism and felt it would be in place by January. Ms. Cross hopes to find a longer-term solution, and the State Office of AIDS has expressed an interest in addressing the problem long-term as well. Meanwhile, the only temporary solution identified option was to offer food vouchers in the value of the premium costs. Ms. Cross, the Commission and OAPP are working out the details.
 2. **State Budget:** The Governor called another emergency special session to address the worsening budget. There is an emphasis on increasing revenue. Mr. Vincent-Jones said the Office of AIDS was unlikely to suffer significantly, but cuts to Medi-Cal and other programs on which people with HIV rely could be severe. If so, the HIV/AIDS community would be one of many affected and the County is looking for ways to address it.
 - B. **Operations:**
 1. **Member Nominations:**
 - The Committee nominated Everardo Orozco for another term in the SPA #2 Consumer seat.
 - The Committee also nominated Sergio Aviña for the SPA #4 Provider seat.
 - ➡ It was agreed to request a Board Proclamation in honor of Ruel Nollado's service to the Commission.
 - C. **Priorities and Planning (P&P):**
 1. **Medicare Part D:**
 - Mr. Vincent-Jones noted the "donut hole" would reset 1/01/2009. Five people applied for the Gap Assistance ending 12/31/2008 with just one eligible. The Committee would begin re-evaluating the program at their next meeting. Mr. Engeran was concerned that \$600,000 was set aside, but little was actually used.
 - Mr. Johnson said consumers often lacked personal resources to seek out and apply for another program even if it could be beneficial for them. Mr. Braswell noted he knew several people who had done things like split pills. Mr. Vincent-Jones noted some providers paid to help people through the gap which raised the issue of last resort funding. He added that TrOOP might also pass which would obviate the need for a program.
 2. **Comprehensive Care Plan (CCP):** The CCP will be presented for approval at the December meeting, focusing on sections not available for the Annual Meeting. There have been no public comments in response to its presentation at the Annual Meeting. The CCP is due to HRSA by 1/5/2009. The Commission plans review the CCP again in early 2009 to make any refinements prior to publication.
 3. **FY 2010 Priority-/Allocation Setting:** A work group is reviewing the process, which is about to begin.
 - D. **Standards of Care (SOC):**
 1. **Medical Care Coordination (MCC):**
 - A Technical Assistance request is being submitted to HRSA for Donna Yutzy to help develop service descriptions and the oversight group.
 - Mr. Vincent-Jones and the Co-Chairs will present on MCC to the Health Deputies on 1/14/2009.
 2. **Standards of Care:**
 - SOC is expected to forward Local Pharmacy/Drug Reimbursement Program and AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Enrollment standards for final approval, but the Language/Interpretation and Medical Outpatient may be held for further public comment and review.

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- There is some concern that interpretation services of other verbal languages (not English, Spanish or ASL) has not been adequately addressed in the current version of the Language/Interpretation standard.
- It has been recommended that the Committee go back and review the Medical Outpatient standard to ensure that it is consistent with the new Medical Care Coordination standard before it is approved.

15. **NEXT STEPS:** There was no further discussion

16. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** There were no announcements.

17. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 am.